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IRREGULARITY IN PURCHASE OF TELECOM EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether in its latest report on the Telecommunications Sector, the comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) has observed several irregularities in the purchase of telecom equipment of crores of rupees by phone firms Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL);

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (c) No, Sir. In the latest report on the telecom sector by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) there is no para on "irregularities in the purchase of telecom equipments" in respect of BSNL or MTNL.